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Hongkong, 8th October, 1898. [2166

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THE GROUND FLOOR of the "New Club."
Apply to
THE SECRETARY,
A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited.
Hongkong, 8th October, 1898. [2167

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A SPOON COMPETITION will be held TO-DAY (SATURDAY), 8th October, commencing at 3 P.M.
Ranges—200, 500, and 600 yards.
Seven shots and one sighter.
Entrance Fee, 30 cents.

INTERPORT MATCH.

By the kindness of the Officers of the King's Own Regiment a few 303 Rifles have been placed at the disposal of the Association. Members desiring to use them for Practice for the Interport Match may obtain them on application to the Secretary.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th October, 1898. [65

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by
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1 IRON SAFE.
1 COOKING STOVE.
&c. &c. &c.
TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 8th October, 1898. [2168

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA DIRECT.

THE Company's Steamship
"ESMERALDA,"
Captain Tayler, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 8th inst., at NOON, instead of as previously advertised.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 8th October, 1898. [2169

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship
"BENALDER,"
Captain Sarchet, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 12th inst., at NOON.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th October, 1898. [2165

UNITED STATES & CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

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"INDRAPURA,"
Captain Campbell, will be despatched as above on or about the 31st inst.
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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th October, 1898. [2170

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LEITH, LONDON, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"BENALDER,"
Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th inst., will be subject to rent.
All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd inst., or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th inst., at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by—
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th October, 1898. [2171

LOST.

A RED SETTER DOG. Any person returning the same to the Undersigned will be REWARDED.
J. HASTINGS,
35, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 7th October, 1898. [2155

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

OWING to the THEFT of the CLUB CHITS up to 30th September last, MEMBERS are warned NOT to settle same, unless accompanied by a Bill from the Hon. Treasurer, W. H. POTTS, Esq.
W. S. BAILEY,
Acting Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th October, 1898. [2167

ENTERTAINMENT

VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS.

PROMENADE CONCERT,
TO-NIGHT
(SATURDAY), 8th October, 1898,
9 P.M.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel ROWLANDSON and OFFICERS of THE KING'S OWN REGIMENT THE BAND will give their assistance.

LOCAL AMATEURS.
NEW TALENT.

ADMISSION $1

TICKETS at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Musical Dept.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1898. [2130

WAR DEPARTMENT & ADMIRALTY CONTRACTS FOR WORKS AND REPAIRS.

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FORMS of TENDERS, Conditions of Contract, and all necessary information may be obtained on application by letter addressed to the Commanding Royal Engineer, or in person between the hours of 10 and 4 o'clock up to October 15th, at the undermentioned Royal Engineer Office.

H. ELSDALE,
Commanding Royal Engineer in China.
Royal Engineer Office,
Commissariat Buildings,
4th October, 1898. [2153

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Hongkong, 19th September, 1898. [a1988

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&c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 6th October, 1898. [2159

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by
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Full Particulars can be seen from Catalogue. On View from FRIDAY, 7th October, 1898.
TERMS:—As Customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 6th October, 1898. [2151

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION No. 421.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the spot, on MONDAY, the 10th day of OCTOBER, 1898, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command,
T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 24th September, 1898. [2132

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction, Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of OCTOBER, 1898, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.		$	$
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DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
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Hongkong, 9th August, 1898. [3—1394

GOVERNESS.—Wanted, by an ENGLISH YOUNG LADY, a situation as Resident GOVERNESS. English, French, Music. Pupils not over 12 years.
Apply by letter only to
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Care of Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1898. [2124

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FOR a General Store, SMART YOUNG MAN of good address; age about 23.
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Care of *Hongkong Daily Press* Office.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1898. [2128

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Hongkong, 6th October, 1898. [2147

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Hongkong, 6th October, 1898. [2168

WANTED, for British Barque "WINDSOR CASTLE," 629 tons gross register, ONE BOW ANCHOR and 60 FATHOMS 1⅞ in. or 1¾ in. TESTED CHAIN.
TENDERS to be sent in to the Undersigned till 3 P.M. on SATURDAY, 8th October, who do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th October, 1898. [2149

FOR THE MAIL.

THE *HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS* is now ready and contains:—
Leading Articles:—
The Public Works Estimates for 1899.
The Chinese Authorities and the Kowloon Concession.
Mr. Little on the Open Door and Spheres of Influence.
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 11th October proximo, at Twelve o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of presenting the report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last and of Declaring Dividends.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 28th instant to the 11th October proximo, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
W. H. RAY,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th September, 1898. [2003

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the Undersigned at 12 o'clock (NOON), on WEDNESDAY, the 19th October.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 19th October, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
Canton Insurance Office, Limited.
Hongkong, 27th September, 1898. [2075

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, No. 4, The PRAYA, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 20th October, 1898, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with Statements of Accounts for the year 1897 and for the half year ending the 30th June, 1898, and of Declaring Dividends.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 20th October, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
W. J. SAUNDERS,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1898. [2030

OLIVERS' FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

IN Accordance with Article No. VIII., paragraph 3, of the Articles of Association of the Company, INTEREST at the rate of $10 per Cent. per Annum is being charged on all unpaid CALLS.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1898. [2060

THE GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN Accordance with this Company's Articles of Association, INTEREST at the rate of 8 per Cent. per Annum is being charged on all unpaid CALLS.
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Hongkong, 5th October, 1898. [2098

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THE MANAGER.
Nagasaki, 10th September, 1898. [1906

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CHANGE OF MANAGEMENT.

MR. L. BRGUEX having retired from the Company's service, on the termination of his agreement, Mr. H. URAIG has This Day been appointed Manager.
BY ORDER.
Kobe, 1st September, 1898. [1907

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Oct. 7, ANTENOR, British str., 3,568, M. H. F. Jackson, Shanghai 4th October, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Oct. 7, LION, French gunboat, 470, Amet, Kwong-chow-wan 5th October.
Oct. 7, MEEFOO, Chinese str., 1,339, Frigast, Shanghai 4th October, General.—CHINESE.
Oct. 7, SEITOKU MARU, Japanese str., 398, S. Nishiwi, Swatow 6th October, General.—ORIENT.
Oct. 7, CHOWFA, Chinese str., 1,055, I. Willerson, Bangkok 27th Sept., and Swatow 6th Oct., General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Oct. 7, BENALDER, British str., 1,958, Sarchet, London and Singapore 1st Oct., General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Oct. 7, MONMOUTHSHIRE, British str., 1,871, Evans, Yokohama 1st October.—SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Oct. 7, IMMORTALITE, British cr., from a cruise.
Oct. 7, KUTSANG, British str., 1,495, R. C. D. Bradley, Calcutta and Straits 1st October, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Oct. 7, TETARTOS, German str., 1,578, Cornelsen, Moji 1st October, Coals.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

CLEARANCES.
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
7TH OCTOBER.
Indravelli, British str., for Singapore.
Phœnix, Norwegian str., for Canton.
Antenor, British str., for Singapore.
Jason, British str., for Amoy.
Trieste, Austrian str., for Singapore.
Independent, German str., for Tobagco.
Esmeralda, British str., for Manila.
Prince Arthur, Norwegian bark, for New York.

DEPARTURES.

Oct. 6, CHOYSANG, British str., for Canton.
Oct. 7, PHEANANG, British str., for Yokohama.
Oct. 7, SARPEDON, British str., for Shanghai.
Oct. 7, STRATHMORE, British str., for Shanghai.
Oct. 7, GOV. ROBIE, Amr. ship, for New York.
Oct. 7, HAITAN, British str., for Swatow.
Oct. 7, GUTHRIE, British str., for Yokohama.
Oct. 7, TRIESTE, Austrian str., for Trieste.
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Auction Tweeds, Serge, Flannel, &c., at Sale Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.
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At Bay View Cottage, Chefoo, on the 28th September, 1898, the wife of Fred. W. GODSIL, of a daughter. [2172

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, October 8th 1898.

At no time probably in the history of Foreign relations with China has the situation been so ticklish as at the present moment. The Chinese Government of the day is a usurpation, based on criminal violence. The Emperor KWANG SU, now known to have grown up in the seclusion of the Imperial Palace at Peking into an amiable and well intentioned young man, had become imbued with a desire for reform, and was anxious to promote it. Meanwhile, whether through outside pressure or internal dissatisfaction, LI HUNG-CHANG, the great prince of corruption in the Empire, had been dismissed from office. The Empress Dowager, the confederate of that unprincipled man, either instigated by her own alarm or prompted by him, decided on a *coup d'état*. Probably by the plentiful use of bribes—both conspirators are well supplied with the sinews of *war*—they succeeded in isolating the Emperor from his supporters, and the EMPRESS successfully grasped the reins of power. Concerning what has followed comparatively little has been allowed to transpire. The EMPRESS DOWAGER has assumed full power and has made use of it to issue edicts against all enemies real or supposed. The luckless EMPEROR has not been seen since the *coup* and is believed to be dead. The EMPRESS DOWAGER, whose avarice and lust of power are about on a par, has thus secured a third term of supremacy, for it will not be difficult for her to select some youthful scion of the reigning family and bring him up in the way she wishes him to go, namely, to carry out her behests. This old harridan has had previous experience of how to play the game. The Emperor TUNG CHIH was for a long term of years obliged to move as his guardians directed, and the Emperor KWANG SU was not less obedient to her command until quite recently. Knowledge with him, poor lad, came too late. When he, in accordance with advice, attempted to exercise the authority supposed to be his prerogative, and to institute some much needed reforms in the administration of the government, the EMPRESS DOWAGER saw her influence and ascendency threatened, and hastened to procure the downfall of the puppet she set up on the death of TUNG CHIH.

The condition of affairs in the capital is now largely a matter of conjecture. The utmost vigilance is exercised by the party in power to watch persons entering or leaving Peking, and this is a matter of comparative ease, as they have control of the gates. It is to be presumed also that the position of foreigners resident there is not either pleasant or secure. If the capital becomes so disturbed that life and property are unsafe, the Powers will not be long in taking steps to intervene for their own protection, and any attempt to encourage a rising of the populace against foreigners at this juncture would lead very speedily to intervention and the overthrow of the usurping female tyrant. What would happen thereafter it is difficult to predict. There might be differences of opinion. Russia and France might have some nominee to support, Great Britain, Germany, and the United States another, and perhaps other Powers a third. Of course it is possible that they would all agree to support the same claimant, but even then there might be a scramble for his subsequent good offices. The outlook is not a bright one. Peking is, more than ever, likely to be a focus of intrigue, in which the least scrupulous of the contestants are likely to prove most successful. The action of the EMPRESS DOWAGER will unquestionably tend to complicate the relations of China with Foreign Powers and is therefore to be regretted on that score alone. It is also deeply to be lamented as a serious set back to the Reform party and a great discouragement to those Chinese who have the real welfare of their country at heart.

No doubt the simplest way out of the difficulty would be for the Treaty Powers to merely recognise accomplished events and treat with the usurper as the successor of the Son of Heaven. It is to be hoped, however, that no Foreign Representative at Peking will receive instructions to that effect. To do so would be unworthy of any civilised State. It would be openly endorsing usurpation and sanctioning crime. Least of all would it become Great Britain to recognise a ruler whose accession to power had been signalised by violence and whose known policy it is to reinstate the man who has so recently been accused of selling his country to the Russians. It is certainly not the interest of Great Britain or the United States to see LI HUNG-CHANG return to power and place at Peking. Indeed, it is not too much to say that these Powers ought to resist any attempt to restore this discredited mandarin to the Tsung-li Yamen at any cost. Rather than submit to such a slap in the face—for it would be that—the Anglo-Saxon Powers and their Allies should take upon themselves to remove the capital to Nanking and there set up a new Government with a new dynasty. This may sound arbitrary, but it may prove the only practicable solution of the difficulty.

In the statement made by Mr. J. H. Cox at the meeting of the Hongkong Hotel Company on Thursday were correct, namely, that the holders of shares are not legally shareholders unless they sign the articles of association, it would follow that all the proceedings of Public Companies must be illegal, for, with the exception of the original subscribers, no one ever thinks of signing the articles, nor does there appear to be any provision of law by which they can do so. There is no occasion for alarm, however, for Mr. Cox is, to use the term he addressed to the chairman of the Hotel Company's meeting, quite wrong. The Ordinance provides that any seven or more persons may form an incorporated company subject to their subscribing their names to the memorandum of association; if there are articles of association those also are to be signed by each subscriber and "when registered they shall bind the company and the members thereof to the same extent as if each member had subscribed his name and affixed his seal thereto"—(section 16)—from which it is evident that persons becoming members of the Company after its formation are not expected to sign the articles. But the matter is not left to inference, for section 22 defines the word "member." The subscribers to the memorandum of association are to be deemed to have become members of the company "and every other person who has agreed to become a member of a company under this ordinance, and whose name is entered on the register of members, shall be deemed to be a member of the company." All duly registered shareholders of a Company are therefore members and stand in all respects on the same footing as the subscribers to the memorandum of association. The memorandum of association is essential to the formation of a company; the adoption of articles of association is optional. A company can, if it so elect, be governed by the regulations attached to the Ordinance which are provided for companies having no special articles of their own. If there are no articles of association it follows that no articles of association can be signed. Mr. Cox was equally wrong in his statement as to the quorum necessary for the passing of a special resolution. He expressed the opinion that three-fourths of the total number of shares must be represented. On what he bases that opinion we do not know, but if on section 50 of the Ordinance, which we think is the only section in which there is any reference to three-fourths, he will find on reading it more closely that it simply provides that a special resolution must be passed by a majority of three-fourths of the shareholders present at a meeting in person or by proxy; it does not refer to three-fourths of the whole body of shareholders or three-fourths of the whole number of shares. The proportion of the total number of shares that must be represented in order to pass a special resolution is governed by a company's articles of association, or, where there are no articles, by the regulations attached to the Ordinance.

At the Magistracy yesterday a rickshaw coolie was fined $7, or 28 days, for refusing to accept a legal fare.

We are requested to state that the entries for the six-a-side football competition, of which up to now, twenty-four have been received, will close on Monday next. The competition will consist of one round, to be played off in October, before the regular season commences.

William Young, aged 40, described as an American, was charged at the Magistracy yesterday with larceny within the jurisdiction of the United States Consulate-General Court of Shanghai. Chief Detective Inspector Hanson deposed to arresting defendant at the Windsor Hotel, and asked for a remand until the 15th inst., the application being granted.

With regard to the opening cricket match, to be played to-day, it is announced that members of the "Forty four" who arrive on the ground after 11.45 a.m. run the risk of being excluded from all the play, owing to the large number of "innocents" who intend to wield the willow.

A letter to the *Osaka Asahi* from Vladivostock states that Prince Henry of Prussia arrived at the city of Habarovsk on the 19th ult., having proceeded thither by train from Vladivostock, which he left on the 16th ult. On the way the Prince was given a warm reception at Nicolaievsk by the military officers and leading merchants of the town.

A Canadian named Gilbert Seeley was charged before Commander Hastings yesterday with carrying a rifle without a license. He said he used to be on the *Abby* (formerly known as the *Pasig*), but came over to Hongkong as a passenger in another vessel. He got the rifle from a Philippino and was taking it on board the *Kwangtes* to a friend. He was returning to Manila. Fined 10 cents.

At Yokohama on the night of the 27th September the baker of the P. & O. steamer *Formosa*, a young Goanese by name Caetano Xavier Cabral, was returning to his ship, lying alongside of the Pier, when he missed his footing or over-balanced himself in some way, while stepping on to the gangway from the pier. It is supposed that he struck some portion of the pier in his fall and was stunned, for he sank at once and never appeared on the surface again.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held on Monday at 3 p.m. The following are the orders of the day:—

Report of the Finance Committee.
Resolution by the Acting Colonial Secretary.
Resolution by the Director of Public Works.
First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance for the naturalization of one Un Chung Wo alias Un Oi U alias Un Hi alias Un Kwok Hi.
Second reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding two millions five hundred and eighty-seven thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight dollars and eighty cents to the Public Service of the year 1899.

N.B.—A meeting of the Finance Committee will be held immediately after the Council.

At the Magistracy yesterday a coolie was charged with stealing a bed cover the property of the K.O.R. Lance-Corpl. Lee said that at eight o'clock that morning he saw defendant outside their mat-shed at Kowloon. He was carrying a basket containing fire-wood, and underneath the fire-wood he found the bed cover produced. Defendant made an extraordinary statement when asked if he had anything to say. He remarked—"I am a grass cutter. I went there to cut grass and take up fir brushes. Another man stole the bed cover. Complainant chased him but was unable to catch him, so he made me take it up and charged me." Sentenced to 28 days' imprisonment.

An exceptionally high tide was experienced at Shanghai on the 1st October, partly due to the effect of the N.E. gale. The grass plats along the Bund foreshore were flooded to such an extent that in places the sampans found sufficient water to float in. The Bund in several places was under water, especially near the Garden Bridge, where it was impossible to pass on foot without getting wet feet. The Soochow Creek overflowed its banks so that the flow of rain water through the channels of the adjacent streets was checked and the roads were partially flooded. Similar overflows prevailed along the Broadway and out Yangtzepoo. The tide on the 2nd was also an exceptionally high one.—*N. C. Daily News.*

It is now acknowledged by the mandarins that the four-funnelled torpedo-catcher *Feiying* was sent to Shanghai from Weihaiwei by Viceroy Jung Lu to chase the *Chungking* and if possible get the person of Kang Yu-wei from that steamer. It is further stated that the Chefoo Taotai was also secretly notified by telegraph to capture Kang, but the Taotai was urgently wanted at Kiaochau at the time, and he carried the telegram with him not daring to let it be known lest warning be given to Kang of his danger. Hence when Kang came to Chefoo and actually landed to call upon some of his friends there, buying, *en passant*, a small basket of variegated coloured pebbles for keeping hyacinth bulbs and some fruit, not a single *yamen* runner knew what a big prize had been in his very clutches, until the Taotai returned a

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."]

LONDON, 5th October.

THE SUDAN CAMPAIGN.

The correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* wires that there is much sickness amongst the troops returned from Omdurman.

GERMAN CRITICISM OF THE SUDAN CAMPAIGN.

The German attaché's official report severely criticises the conduct of operations in the Sudan and designates the charge of the Lancers as folly.

MAJOR MARCHAND AT FASHODA.

Major Marchand's force obtains food from the natives, but is short of ammunition. His Shilook auxiliaries fraternize with the Sirdar's Shillook troops and their chiefs have offered allegiance to the Khedive.

THE HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Mr. J. Y. V. Vernon in his weekly share report, dated 7th October says:—

A fair business has been transacted during the week at almost generally increased rates and the market closes steady to firm all round.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghais have found small buyers at 215 per cent. premium, for cash and at 225 for January. Nationals have again been dealt in at $17.

MARINE INSURANCES—China Traders continue on offer at $61 without business. Unions after small sales at $220 are enquired for at $225. Cantons are in some small demand at $131. The report of the last recommends a dividend of $4 per share and the withdrawal of $150,000 from reserve fund. In the Northern Insurances there is nothing to report. Straits have been negotiated at $8.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Both Hongkongs and Chinas continue on offer at quotations without business.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have ruled a little quieter with sellers at $28½ and finally with sales at $28½. Indo-Chinas have improved to $59, after a good business at $58 and $58½, market closing quieter at $59. On time shares have changed hands for March at $63, $64, and $65. Douglass remain neglected with sellers at $50. China and Manilas and China Mutuals remain without business.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have advanced to $164 after fair sales at $158, $158½, $159, $160, $162, and $163. On time shares have been placed at $170, $172, $173, and $175 for March and at about equivalent rates for December and January. Market closes quiet at $164. Luzons have found buyers at $43.

MINING.—Punjoms have been in fair demand and have changed hands at $5.25, $5.50, and $5.75, closing firm at last rate. Rambs have been on offer at $37 and $36½ without leading to business. Balmorals have been negotiated at 50 cents and 30 cents. Olivers at $3.65, and Great Easterns at $6.40 and $6.50. Jelebus have been enquired for and small sales effected at $4.20.

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have ruled quiet with only small sales at 249 and 248 per cent. prem. Kowloon Wharves after sales at $66 have declined to $65 with sales, but more shares wanted at that rate are not procurable. Wanchais unchanged and without business.

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have improved to $69 after small sales at $68. A sale is reported at $70. Market closes at $69 buyers. Hotels unchanged and without business at $53. Humphreys Estates have found buyers at $8½ and West Points are enquired for at $18½ without bringing out sellers.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Cotton Mills have somewhat gone back in Shanghai, whose quotations are given. Hongkong Cottons are offering in a small way at $50. Watsons have changed hands at $12.25. Electrics at $8½, China Providents at $9.40, Star Ferries at $9, and Green Islands (old) at $27. Ices, Tramways, Fenwicks, and Campbell and Moores have been enquired for without leading to business.

THE CHARGE AGAINST LETTER-CARRIERS.

EVIDENCE OF THE CHIEF CLERK.

At the Magistracy yesterday, before Commander Hastings, Chong Tsang, aged 49, formerly employed as a letter-carrier, was charged on remand with unlawfully detaining letters on the 16th September. Inspector Moffat conducted the case for the prosecution and Mr. Brutton appeared for the defence.

The case for the prosecution was continued.

William John Solly, chief clerk at the Post Office, said defendant had been a postman for at least 15 years and had borne a good character. Witness saw the letter produced and marked "A" in defendant's room on the 16th September, witness being in the adjoining room with Inspector Moffat when the letter was found. The shroff in the Money Order Office shared the room with defendant. The city of Victoria was divided into four districts for postal purposes. The postmen changed districts once every three months. Defendant's duty was principally to take charge of all Chinese correspondence and to arrange for its distribution. He had three postmen to assist him in sorting the Chinese letters. No. 2 postman worked under the control of No. 1. If a letter was brought back it would be handed to him and he would hand it to the compradore for reference. It would not be sent out a second time but would be advertised in the *Government Gazette*. After advertising the letter for two months it was returned to the office of origin. Very rarely were letters advertised claimed. Defendant was in the habit of giving him undelivered letters. He could not remember the date when he last handed any such letters to him but he had received letters from him within the last three months. He first saw the letter marked "B" on the 18th September in defendant's room. It had no business to be there. The endorsement "unclaimed" on the letter marked "A" was done by witness after defendant's case had been dealt with by the Postmaster. The Postmaster dealt with the case on the 19th September, and he endorsed the letters marked "A," "B," "C," and "D" on the same day or the next. There was a fifth letter found in defendant's room on the 18th ult. It was opened but was stamped. As far as he remembered there was a Chinese stamp on it. The letter had since been sent on to Canton. He did not know where the letter came from. Defendant had no right to have that or any other letters in his room. The letter must have been taken out and an endeavour made to deliver it in Hongkong. The regular course would be for the letter to be taken to the Hongkong address, and on its being refused it would be brought back and handed to defendant. In the event of a letter not being delivered the postman, if the office was closed, could hand it to the head messenger or take it to his (witness's) quarters. The postman had been told not to take such letters to their rooms. Such letters had occasionally been brought to his quarters, but the postmen were usually too lazy to bring them there. He lived in Wyndham Street. There were rules for the postmen in English and Chinese. He produced a copy. He produced the postcard given to him by Sergeant Collett in defendant's room on the 18th ult. It should not have been in defendant's room under any circumstances unless there was a mistake in the Chinese characters. The postcard was marked "unclaimed," and no effort was made to trace the address (the postcard being addressed to a vessel). They satisfied themselves that the ship was not in harbour by consulting the papers. In the case of a letter like that coming addressed to an officer of a ship it was delivered on board if the ship was in harbour. If not it was advertised. The fifth letter found in defendant's room did not look as if it had been steamed in order that it might be opened.

On being cross-examined by Mr. Brutton, witness said that if a postman was away for any cause they put an ordinary messenger in his place. No. 1 messenger was authorised to receive undelivered letters brought in after dark, but No. 1 messenger was not No. 1 postman. In the absence of the head messenger and himself there were no instructions as to what should be done with these undelivered letters. He did not remember the address of the firm to which the fifth letter was to be delivered. A great many Chinese letters were received without stamps, the stamps having come off in the bag. He had known cases where Chinese envelopes had come open in the office after they had been there for some time. He attributed this to the gum wearing off. He did not remember to whom the fifth letter was sent in Canton. He had been told when letters refused to take them. This was usually in cases where the addresses could not read and also in cases where letters were addressed under cover. After the investigation into these letters on the 16th September a fine of $1 was imposed and entered in the default book, but it was cancelled on the case coming before the court. He could show who was on duty on the 4th of May last in Stanley Street.

The further hearing was adjourned.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

The following is the report for the half-year ended 30th June, last:—

To the shareholders.—Gentlemen, The directors submit to you the annexed statement of the liabilities and assets of the bank, and profit and loss account for the half-year ending June 30th, 1898.

The gross profits of the bank for the past half-year, including yen 274,689.795 brought forward from last account, amount to yen 4,950,700.668, of which yen 3,516,301.072 have been deducted for current expenses, interest on deposits, &c., leaving a balance of yen 1,434,399.596 out of which yen 69,582 have been written off for officers' remuneration.

The directors now propose that yen 300,000 be added to the reserve fund, increasing it to yen 6,900,000; and yen 50,000 be set aside for the contemplated new building. From the remainder the directors recommend a dividend at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum, which will absorb yen 450,000 on the old shares, and yen 225,000 on the new shares, making a total of yen 675,000.

The balance, yen 339,817,596, will be carried forward to the credit of next account.

NAGATANE SOMA, Chairman.

Head Office, Yokohama, 10th September, 1898.

THE COUP THAT FAILED.

Peking, 3rd October.

There is now not the least doubt that it was the Emperor's wish to remove the Empress Dowager to a special palace where she could have no chance to interfere with his reform measures, owing to its being made known to his Majesty that the Empress Dowager, assisted by Li Hung-chang and the dissatisfied members of the Imperial Clan, was preparing to use measures to prevent the Emperor's freedom of rule. It was a case of do or die and the most active would win. In order to prevent armed opposition against the Emperor's *coup*, his Majesty, who had always had a good opinion of Yuan Shih-kai's loyalty, sought to make him even more attached to him by appointing him a Vice-President of a Board, and Assistant High Commissioner of the Peiyang, in order to give him power not only as sole commander of his own foreign-modelled brigade but also to have the Peiyang military and naval forces under him. Having bestowed the above on Yuan Shih-kai the latter had to go to Peking to thank his Majesty, and this was the Emperor's chance to unveil his plans to confine the Empress Dowager, commanding him to bring his troops to Peking with him as soon as he returned to Tientsin. On the 20th of September last, Yuan Shih-kai left Peking, after his audience with the Emperor, and Kang Yu-wei also travelled in Yuan's train that day. But instead of obeying his sovereign's commands Yuan is alleged to have confessed all to Viceroy Jung Lu, asking his advice what he should do. Of course, Viceroy Jung Lu's friendship for the Empress Dowager was stronger than his loyalty to his Imperial Master and the whole affair was exposed. The result we know.

The Emperor on the morning of the fatal 22nd of September was just about to grant Marquis Ito a special audience when a eunuch came with an "urgent message" from the Empress Dowager requesting his Majesty to go over to Eho Park at once to see her. The Emperor went and so far has not been seen since.—*N. C. Daily News* special telegram.

The Blood is the source from which our systems are built up, and from which we derive our mental as well as our physical capabilities. If the blood is diseased the body is diseased. Sufferers from Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, and Sores of any kind are solicited to give Clarke's world-famed Blood Mixture a trial to test its value. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Sold everywhere at 2s. 9d. per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes. [1407

POLO.

The third match of the quarterly tournament for the Hon. F. H. May's Cup was played on Wednesday, the 5th inst., between the R.A. and a Subalterns' team of the K.O.R., an excellent game being the result, the R.A. not having things quite so much their own way, as some had anticipated. The K.O.R. played a good uphill game, their match against the Club team having evidently shaken them into their places, their combination being better than it was on that occasion. There having been some 5 inches of rain during the previous thirty-six hours it was thought until mid day that play would have been out of the question, but the R.A. having evinced a desire to play, a committee of three playing members not taking further part in the tournament were requested on behalf of the R.A. and K.O.R. to assemble on the ground at 4.30 p.m. and decide whether it was fit for play, and they found that thanks to the zealous care and attention that had been bestowed upon the ground during the day there was nothing to prevent the game from being proceeded with. The R.A. team was not quite so strong as the announcement in the morning's paper had led us to expect, Wilkinson taking Thwaites's place, the teams being as under:—

R.A.		K.O.R. SUBALTERNS.
Mr. Wilkinson	1	Mr. Woodgate
Capt. Simonds	2	„ Molony
„ Tancock	3	„ Morrah
„ Burney	4	„ Johnson

Some delay was occasioned at the start owing to ignorance of Rule No. 19 of the Indian Polo Association. From the throw in Simonds got away, but was stopped by a nice back hander from Molony. Shortly after Burney took the ball up to the K.O.R. goal, who were then defending the goal at the Stables end, in front of which there was some desultory play out of which, the ball having been nicely centred for him, Burney scored the first goal with a fine back-hander. From the throw in the combined K.O.R. team forced the ball behind the R.A. goal line. From the hit in Tancock took the ball up to the K.O.R. goal, but Johnson saved nicely, and Morrah got away, but the ball went out of play. From the throw in Wilkinson took the ball up towards the K.O.R. goal, but Molony stopped him neatly. Shortly after this Burney got an opening but failed to score. This was followed by a beautiful run by Johnson, but he could not keep the ball in play. A little later Burney galloped right up into his front rank, the temptation of a "sitter" having proved too much for him, but was just too late and so let in Molony, who got away and had everything his own way, but failed to score. From the hit in Burney made a fine run and Simonds took the ball right up to K.O.R. goal, but nothing was scored. After changing ponies Johnson failed at the hit in and Tancock promptly added another goal to the R.A. Score. On changing goals the play was slow for a time, until Johnson cleared with a fine run, only just failing to score. Simmonds defending with a back hander which struck a pony, the ball falling dead in front of the R.A. goal. Molony's pony kicking the ball through on the point of time, making the score, R.A. 2 goals, King's Own Subalterns 1 goal.

As the light, which had been bad throughout, was now failing rapidly the second chukker was commenced almost at once and was opened by a fine run from Johnson. Burney, however, proving impassable. The game became a bit slow for a time until a free hit for off-side on the part of Simonds was given against the R.A. Johnson took the hit and got clear away and the K. O. R. carried the ball behind the R.A. goal line. After the hit in the game was slow for a time, and from a scrummage in front of the K. O. R. goal the R.A. scored another goal. From the throws in Johnson made another brilliant run and looked like scoring, but again Burney prevented it. From this point the game became desultory and was finished in almost darkness. Shouts of "Where's the ball?" were of frequent occurrence. However, just on the close of time Tancock scored another goal for the R.A. making them winners by four goals to one.

Johnson and Burney both showed fine play. The latter at times seemed to be having rather a trying time of it with the attention required by Landsknecht and that devoted to him by Woodgate, who played a hard and unselfish game which promises well, but this young player needs more experience of fast matches, the ordinary club quarters being the worst possible school for fast polo. Tancock, too, showed how the position of No. 3 should be played and, considering how seldom he has been seen on the polo ground in Hongkong showed wonderful form.

Simonds, they say, is good, but he has had want of practice from being away in Japan. For the "Kings Own" Johnson played the best and at times made brilliant runs, but he in common with the others showed great want of accuracy in hitting, the ball being shot from side to side and not straight forward, and therefore seconds were lost in each run which allowed the opposing players to close in. Again and again there were chances at the R.A. goal that a little more careful practice in hitting would have converted into certainties. They often also failed to ride their opposing numbers. However, the subalterns deserve great credit for the game they put up and they showed great pluck in entering their team for the tournament.

Capt. Laurie, A.D.C., acted as umpire and Capt. Des Voeux as time keeper.

MARCO.

THE SHANGHAI ENGINEERING, SHIPBUILDING, AND DOCK CO., LIMITED.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this company was held at Shanghai on the 30th September at the offices of Messrs. H. Mandl and Co., Kiangse Road. The chair was occupied by Count Butler and there were also present Messrs. Blechynden, Middleton, and Chun Fai-ting (directors), W. B. O. Middleton, E. W. Clements, J. C. Leonard, Robertson (Nagasaki), G. Pilkington, R. H. Ord, J. West, H. S. George, A. H. Maertens, C. Overbeck, and Macgowan (secretary), representing 9,009 shares.

The Chairman said—With your permission we will take the minutes of the first meeting as having been read, as they have already been circulated and I think we may take the report and accounts as read for they have also been circulated among the shareholders for a considerable time. During the year under review we have had a good many difficulties to contend against which have retarded the completion, and added to the cost, of the dock. The cofferdam gave way on three occasions; the first two breaks were easily repaired, but when, in August, last year, the water was pumped out, it was found that the construction was not strong enough to withstand the pressure of the mud, and almost one-third of the dam burst. This necessitated the construction of an inner dam, of much stronger build, which has been perfect successful. Last autumn and early in the spring of this year we experienced several unfortunate landslips, which made it necessary to do the greater part of the work twice, and in some instances thrice, over. In view of these difficulties we thought it our duty to obtain the best professional advice in addition to what we have engaged and the work has since been carried on in accordance with that advice. Happily, these difficulties have been overcome, and the photographs on the table will show you that the work is now nearing completion, and much further progress has been made since these views were taken. More than nine-tenths of the bottom is filled and concreted; the piling of the sides is nearly finished, the caisson is well in hand, and the pumps and pumping engines are fixed in position. We confidently expect by the end of this year to be able to flood the dock and float the caisson into position. Then the work of removing the cofferdam will begin and be completed in about 6 weeks. The greater part of our machinery is now erected, and we are already doing a good deal of work in our new shops, especially in the boiler yard and blacksmith's shop. We have had one steamer alongside our wharf for repairs which were satisfactorily effected. We are also building for the Custom House a new Tungsha lightship for launching in a few days. Turning to the statement of accounts it will be observed that the net earnings for the year are smaller than those shown in last year's accounts. This is partly due to the fact that a great deal of the work done for the Dock at our Yang-tse-poo works has been charged at cost price, besides which our foreign staff has been nearly been larger than would be required for present operations, but is none too large in view of the fact that we are expecting in the very near future to be engaged on ship work. For this it has been necessary to engage foreign heads of departments. The drawing office staff has been constantly employed as enquiries must be answered, and we have not the advantage that older offices enjoy of a large stock of drawings to make use of. Against the expiry of the lease of our present Yantzepoo premises, our Directors are making arrangements to lease more convenient premises nearer the English Settlement, on very reasonable terms. If any shareholders would like to ask any questions I shall be happy to answer them and if they are of a technical nature Mr. Blechynden, who is present, will do so.

No questions being put,

The Chairman moved that the report and accounts as printed and circulated be adopted.

Mr. O. Mouser seconded and the resolution was carried.

Mr. C. Overbeck proposed and Mr. A. H. Maertens seconded the re-election of Mr. O. Middleton as director. Carried.

Messrs. Wilmer Harris and R. Eastlack were re-elected auditors of the company on the motion of Mr. E. W. Clements seconded by Mr. Pilkington.

The business of the ordinary meeting terminated and the shareholders resolved themselves into an extraordinary general meeting to discuss the following resolution:—"That the balance of the ordinary shares at present unalloted shall be forthwith issued numbered from 6,301 to 7,500 inclusive and that such shares (being the second issue of shares) shall be entitled to a Preferential Dividend at the rate of seven per centum per annum on the amount thereof payable out of the profits of each year. Whenever the profits of the Company in respect of any one year shall be more than sufficient to pay the preference dividend aforesaid and also a dividend for such year at the rate of seven per centum per annum on the first issue of the ordinary shares, the holders of the second issue of ordinary shares shall be entitled to participate in the surplus (of the amount appropriated for dividend) *pari passu* with the holders of the first issue of ordinary shares."

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, before proposing the special resolution which we have met to consider, I have one or two brief remarks to make. It has for some time been no secret that we required further funds. The landslips that occurred while building the dock, which I have already referred to at the ordinary meeting, have naturally swallowed up a good deal of money, but your directors have purposely delayed coming to the public till the accidents just mentioned had been fully repaired, and they had thorough confidence in the stability of the work. The dock being now so near completion we no longer hesitate to come before you with a scheme for raising the funds necessary to finish the undertaking and we trust we shall receive the hearty support of the shareholders. Various plans for raising the money have been considered, and your Directors finally decided that it would be to the best interests of the shareholders and the Company to issue the balance of the ordinary shares under the conditions mentioned in the resolution. Regarding the preferential dividend, the Board desires to impress upon the shareholders (and the investing public) that they will consider it their duty to declare the dividend, should the profits be sufficient, before putting anything to reserve or writing anything off property account. I may point out that the profits for the last two years, though we have been working under great disadvantages in our confined quarters at Yangtsepoo, have been sufficient to pay such a dividend, so that the 7 per cent., though not guaranteed, may be looked upon as a certainty. It is proposed to call up the amount of the shares as follows:—Tls. 25 on application, Tls. 25 on allotment, Tls. 25 on 6th January and Tls. 25 on 6th February. The shares will rank for dividend as from 1st November on the whole one hundred taels, although not half of that amount will then have been actually paid up. The lists will close on the 1st of November. Before proposing the resolution I shall be happy to answer any questions on the subject which shareholders may wish to ask. I may further add that we originally—if we had thought we would have had any such accidents—could easily have insured all the capital in the beginning, but we naturally thought it to the greater advantage of the shareholders to issue only what appeared necessary at that time. It would have been easy to have the whole of the capital because it was oversubscribed and now, of course, in the present state of the money market and the shares of the company being at a discount, which I hope will not be for long, we came to the conclusion that this was the best way—to issue shares—and I hope all the shareholders who are present and all the others who are not present will support us because to tell the plain truth we must have the money. It is not much and if anybody who understands such matters will come to the [illegible] if he is a professional man he will say it did not cost more than it ought to have cost for the work that has been done.

Mr. D. F. Robertson (Nagasaki) Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen—As a shareholder from a distance I wish publicly to express to you the opinion of one who is not an expert but who has visited the works the other day and I would wish the shareholders to thank you gentlemen for the way you have carried on the undertaking in the face of the most obstinate difficulties. There is no question in my opinion about its ultimate success. What you have said will be found to come out exactly as you have stated and I am certain if the shareholders understood the situation your preference shares would be more than applied for and even if not I am sure if you go to the debenture market there is no doubt your success will be assured. I thank you for keeping us out of the pawnbroker's hand and for giving us the privilege of taking the issue up as preference shares. (Hear, hear).

The Chairman—I thank you very much for the kind words you have said. Everyone has done his best for the interests of the shareholders. I now propose the special resolution.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Chun Fai-ting and carried unanimously.

The Chairman—An extraordinary meeting to confirm this resolution will be held on Tuesday October 18th, at four o'clock p.m. in this room. I thank you very much for having attended these meetings and I declare the meeting closed.—*N. C. Daily News.*

PATENT LAW IN CHINA.

A Shanghai native mechanic, it will be remembered, presented a short time ago to the Taotai an electric incandescent lamp of unique design, suitable for dwelling houses, which the former had invented and which he styled the "Clear Moonlight Electric lamp." The Taotai thought well of the thing and reported favourably on it to the Viceroy Liu at Nanking, asking that a patent be granted the inventor, Chang Kuo-yung, in accordance with the recent Imperial edict on Copyrights and Patents. The following is the Viceroy's rescript to Tsai Taotai's petition:—"I have received the Shanghai Taotai's petition concerning an electric lamp called the 'Clear Moonlight Electric lamp' which he claims was invented by one Chang Kuo-yun and requesting that the said inventor be granted for a certain period of years the sole privilege of manufacturing said lamp to the exclusion of any other party or parties. I have seen this lamp which the inventor personally brought to this *yamen* for inspection, and being satisfied with the justice of his claims hereby grant him the sole privilege of manufacturing the said 'Clear Moonlight Electric lamp' for the space of ten years as a reward for his efforts in this direction and an encouragement to others. Letters patent are hereby made out, covering the ground, and handed over to the said Chang Kuo-yung to have and to hold in proof thereof. I have also notified the Tsungli Yamen, the High Commissioner of the Peiyang Administration, and the Governor at Soochow of this matter, with the request to put the same on record and for the purpose of preventing any attempt by others to imitate the said invention."

The above is interesting as being the first published instance of the granting of a patent by a Chinese official arising from the recent Imperial reform edicts.—*N. C. Daily News.*

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The steamer *Catherine Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon.

The steamer *Marmadon*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on 6th inst. and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, 11th inst.

The N. D. L. steamer *Darmstadt* left Shanghai via Foochow on Friday, a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday morning, the 11th instant.

The N. D. L. steamer *Hohenstaufen* left Nagasaki on Thursday, the 6th instant, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday morning, the 10th instant.

IN THE KITCHEN.—In the preparation of gravies, soups, sauces, meat pies, and all savoury dishes, Liebig Company's Extract imparts the essential features of good cookery—appetising flavour, nourishment, and digestibility. [1404

IMPERIAL DECREE.

Peking, 29th September.

JUNG LU'S NEW APPOINTMENT.

The Grand Secretary Jung Lu is appointed Comptroller-General of the affairs of the Board of War, and the Board of Rites is hereby commanded to make a golden seal for the said Jung Lu in his new capacity of Commander-in-Chief of the military and naval forces of Chihli province and the Peiyang Administration.

THE IMPERIAL TOUR ABANDONED.

Owing to the gradual approach of the cold weather we have come to the determination that the contemplated Imperial trip with the Empress Dowager to inspect first the Peking Field Force at the Southern Hunting Parks, on the 19th October next, and eventually to Tientsin to review the military forces of the Peiyang will be detrimental to Her Majesty's health in her old age and we therefore hereby command all preparations now going on to be forthwith cancelled. We could not, however, wish to disappoint our troops in the matter and therefore hereby command that the sum of Tls. 6,000 be sent as rewards to the troops under Nieh Sze-cheng, Provincial Commander-in-Chief of Chihli; Tls. 4,000 to the troops under Yuan Shih-kai, and Tls. 3,000 to the troops under General Tung Fu-hsiang.

ALLEGED REASON FOR THE COUP D'ETAT.

All of our subjects, officials and Ministers must acknowledge that we have tried in every way to advance our Empire and make her strong and wealthy by the inauguration of reforms. We never, however, expected to find the 3rd class Board Secretary, K'ang Yu-wei, take advantage of these steps to consummate his evil and treacherous plans of subverting this dynasty and that he dared, the other day, in prosecution of his nefarious designs to conspire to surround Eho Park, capture and exile the persons of the Empress Dowager and ourself. Fortunately the conspiracy was found out in time by us and at once set at naught. We hear also that the conspirators established the Patriotic Association—*Pao-Kuo-hui*—for their purpose, one of their principal tenets being that "in defending the Empire they were defending the country of China and not the Manch

be withdrawn and only the proper officers be permitted to report to us as to what is going on in our Empire. As for the magazine *Chinese Progress*, it is really of no use to the government, whilst, on the other hand, it will excite the masses to evil; hence we command the said paper to be suppressed (abolished).

With regard to the proposed Peking University and the middle schools in the provincial capitals they may go on as usual, as they are a nursery for the perfection of true ability and talents. But with reference to the lower schools in the sub-prefectures and districts there need be no compulsion, full liberty being given to the people thereof to do what they please in this connection. As for the unofficial Buddhist, Taoist, and memorial temples which were ordered to be turned into district schools, etc., so long as these institutions have not broken the laws by any improper conduct of the inmates, or the deities worshipped in them are not of the seditious kind, they are hereby excused from the edict above noted. Beyond the measures above named, such as those for encouraging commerce, agriculture, science, and military matters, as they are really for the good of the people and the country, the proposals for putting them into effect shall go on but whatever reforms previously commanded may conflict with the interests of the government and established custom are all to be repealed and we hereby command the Ministers of the Six Boards and the Tsungli Yamen to carefully deliberate over all the above named measures of reform and report the result to us. At the present moment when the country is undergoing a crisis of danger and difficulty we must be careful of what may be done or what may not, and select only such measures as may be really of benefit to the Empire. We trust that all our officers, high and low, may recognise our efforts in this direction and aid us in so doing.

(2) Hsü Yung-yi, Senior Vice-President of the Board of Civil Appointments, is appointed a member of the Tsungli Yamên.

(3) Ch'eng Chang is appointed Vice-Director of the Court of Ceremonial Sacrifices.

[*Note.*—This was one of the six Courts or minor Boards abolished a short month ago.—*Translator.*]

(4) We have received the memorial of the Board of Punishments in connection with the trial of the proscribed officials Hsü Chih-ching, Yang, Sheng-hsiu, Yang Jui, Lin Hsiâ, Tan, Sze-tung, and Liu Kuang-ti, together with Kang Kuang-jên, the younger brother of Kang Yü-wei, to the effect that, owing to the seriousness and gravity of the case in question, we should further appoint high Ministers to assist in the said trial, etc. We hereby command the members of the Grand Council and the Court of Censors to make a joint tribunal with the said Board for the trial of the said malefactors. With reference to Chang Yin-huan (Senior Vice-President of the Board of Revenue) although he has been repeatedly denounced to us and has a very evil reputation, yet it appears to us that he is not one of Kang Yu-wei's faction; hence, we command that he be temporarily confined in the Board of Punishment to await a further decree from us. The case of Kang Yu wei, who had in Peking a faction composed of such men as Hsu Chih-ching, etc., is one of great gravity and we fear that he must have a large faction outside of the Capital also, consisting of officials, gentry, and commoners misled by the speciousness of the man. We, however, desire to show mercy to such and therefore shall not go deeply into an investigation of those who belong to Kang's faction, giving such time to repent of their errors.

[It is understood by this that Chang Yin-huan has bought himself off.—ED.]—*N. C. Daily News.*

PROGRESS IN SIAM.

At the celebration of the birthday of the King of Siam on the 21st September the Foreign Representatives were received in audience, the function being attended by the whole of the diplomatic and consular body at present in Siam. The French were most numerously represented, the staff of the Legation being strengthened by the officers of the gunboat. As Doyen of the Diplomatic and Consular Corps, Mr. George Greville, British Minister, read the following address to His Majesty:—

"Sire,—We the Diplomatic and Consular Representatives of Foreign Powers resident in Bangkok have the honour once again to approach Your Majesty and offer our most respectful congratulations on the occasion of Your Majesty's birthday.

"We have been watching with interest the many and great improvements which have been actively continued during the past twelve months by the various Departments of Your Majesty's Government, under the enlightened personal supervision of Your Majesty.

"We have heard with great pleasure of the establishment of the finances on a firm basis, and we hope that the wise policy in regard to forestry which was initiated nearly two years ago will be persevered in, and will result in a steady increase to the Revenue.

"We have seen great improvements in the Law Courts, and in the organization of the Police Force. New lines of Railway have been undertaken, a submarine cable to Kelsichang has been working well since last December, an earnest, we venture to hope, of increased railway and telegraphic communication between this capital and other parts of Your Majesty's dominions. We note with pleasure that excellent new roads and bridges have been opened to traffic in Bangkok, and we have no doubt that the Sanitary Board which has lately been formed, and which has already carried out many useful and necessary improvements in the city, will shortly extend its good work beyond the city walls.

"It is a source of much satisfaction to us to hear on good authority the very best reports in regard to the growing rice crop, on which depends to a great extent the financial success of the country and the welfare of the people.

"In conclusion we desire to express the earnest hope that Your Majesty may be accorded many happy anniversaries of this auspicious day, and may long be spared to rule over Your people."

THE KING'S REPLY.

The following is a translation of His Majesty's reply to the address of the Diplomatic and Consular Corps:—

"It gives Us indeed great pleasure to receive the congratulations of you who are here assembled as the Diplomatic and Consular Representatives of Foreign Countries resident in Bangkok and it equally causes great gratification to Us to learn the kind and approving interest taken by all of you in Our efforts to secure the welfare of Our country on the path of progress. We are especially glad to see all of you gathering unanimously here on this anniversary of Our birth, taking it as a proof of the good feeling that has existed towards Us, and We beg to give expression to Our sincere wishes that the friendly relations so happily subsisting between this Our Kingdom and the Countries you represent, will be not only preserved, but even more strengthened in the future.

"We thank you all cordially for your good will and congratulations to Ourselves, and for your expressions of good wishes for and approbation of Our efforts towards advancing the prosperity of Our people. We beg to assure you that Our task will be unswervingly to preserve the friendly relations of Siam with all other countries and to further the happiness and development of this Our own country, both of its internal improvements and of its external commerce with other countries. And We fully reciprocate your kind sentiments, and beg to give to you the expression of Our good will and Our best wishes."

HOW SHANGHAI LOST THE CRICKET MATCH.

A writer in the *Shanghai Mercury* in discussing the recent interport cricket match, says:—And now—lastly, as the preachers would say, I want to register my opinion as to the real cause of the unreliability of Shanghai cricket. It is not a new thing as the Captain hinted at the dinner. It is at least five years old, and I believe it to be brought about by the want of system in practice. Probably seventy-five per cent. of the balls bowled at Shanghai nets by coolies and others are either on the wicket or on the leg side. Hongkong comes here, puts all the field but two on the off side, and bowls ninety per cent. of its balls so that they must be hit there or nowhere. It was in this way that Moule was dismissed in the first innings, and several other valuable wickets were lost in like manner. Our local players, Mr. Editor, would have done better had they taken the *Mercury's* advice a little more seriously, and gone about their preparation in a more systematic fashion. Neither should they have admitted any player to the team who invariably sins against the "straight bat" law. Until such a one has conquered this glaring fault he must remain a source of disaster nine times out of ten. As your article said, the S.C.C. could provide ideal practice, and if they did so, I am of opinion that our teams would be second to none.

N.Y.K. LINER ASHORE ON THE AMERICAN COAST.

News comes from Fort Townsend, Washington, of an accident to the N.Y.K. line *Kiushiu Maru* (Capt. F. Brown), which on the morning of September 1st got on the rocks in Puget Sound. She was got off the same day badly damaged.

Captain David Gilmore, official pilot for the Japanese company, was in command at the time of the accident, which took place in a dense fog. The fog bell at Marrowstone Point was the cause of a miscalculation regarding the course to be steered. The *Kiushiu* was running at moderate speed at the time of the accident. The lookout could not see ten feet ahead on account of the fog. A rumbling noise that came from the first rock touched was the only warning. It was followed a second later by the violent plunging of the ship and a sudden shock as her steel bow shot high and dry on the beach. Fog was everywhere around. It shut out the bow from view.

Among the officers and crew there was perfect discipline. There were 192 Japanese passengers on board, the officers and crew of the new Japanese cruiser *Kasagi Kan* being completed by the Cramps, Philadelphia. The officers were as cool as if the steamer had been going into the dock. The crew was mostly below when the shock came. They ran terror-stricken around the deck, but at the calls of the officers they mustered in line on the deck, forgetting every trace of fear.

The Japanese were commended by Commander G. Saoki, who was on the general war staff during the Chinese war. He was then a Lieutenant, but displayed such skill in matters under his charge that promotion followed.

A curious fraud upon the Post Office has been discovered by Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, Limited, and is explained in the firm's monthly journal. Some time ago they purchased a parcel of used old English stamps, and found therein a large number of forgeries of one shilling green stamps. No less than 100 of these forgeries, which had been used on the same date, were discovered, and many of them had been affixed to telegraph forms in the Stock Exchange telegraph office. "As the fraud was never discovered," says the journal, "the Department may have been robbed to the tune of £5 a day for many months." The forgeries were perpetrated in 1872, or twenty-six years ago, so that there is small chance of the offenders being discovered. The exposure may, however, be useful if it puts the Post Office on its guard, for it is quite possible that a fraud so successful may still be popular with the criminal classes.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Kutsang*, from Calcutta and Straits 1st October, had light variable up to Paracells; strong N.E. gale with very high sea to port.

The British steamer *Antenor*, from Shanghai 4th October, had dull gloomy weather with light N.E. wind as far as Heishans; from there into port had strong N.E. gale with high sea.

The British steamer *Chowfo*, from Bangkok 27th September, and Swatow 6th October, experienced light S.W. winds and fine weather in the Gulf of Siam; from Pulo Obi to Cape Varella similar weather; from thence to Swatow moderate to strong N.E. winds and heavy showers of rain. From Swatow to port fresh N.E. breeze and fine clear weather.

AUCTIONS

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES and HOUGH have received instructions from the MORTGAGEES to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of October, 1898, at their Offices, Praya Central, Victoria, Hongkong, ALL THAT VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situate at KOWLOON POINT in the Dependency of Kowloon and Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as THE REMAINING PORTION OF KOWLOON INLAND LOT No. 406 and the REMAINING PORTION OF KOWLOON INLAND LOT No. 407.

The properties are held for the respective residues of the terms of 75 years and 75 years created by the respective Crown Leases thereof, at the Crown Rent for the whole of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 406 of $62, of which the sum of $54.40 is the apportioned amount payable in respect of Section A, and for the whole of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 407 of $208, of which the sum of $102.80 is the apportioned amount payable in respect of Section A.

Further Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained of Messrs. DEACON & HASTINGS, Vendors' Solicitors, 35, Queen's Road, Hongkong, and of The Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 27th September, 1898. [2078

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON FRIDAY, the 14th October, 1898, at 12 o'clock NOON, on board, The Iron Screw Steamer "MEMNON" Built at Greenock in 1861 by Messrs. SCOTT & COMPANY. Tonnage, Gross, 1,290; Net, 825. Capacity Cargo dead weight (inclusive of Bunkers), tons 1,300; measurement, cubic feet 63,000. Length between perpendiculars, feet 254; Breadth, feet 33; Depth of Hold, feet 23.

Good passenger accommodation for First and Third Class Passengers. Condenser; Hatchways, three; Engines, Compound; Boilers (2) Multitubular, made by Messrs. FAWCETT, PRESTON & Co. of Liverpool; Donkey Engine and Boiler; Steam Winches, three.

Will be on view in Hongkong Harbour on or about 9th instant, thence to day of Sale.

For further Particulars and Terms of Sale, apply to HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1898. [2143

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. GEO. P. LAMMERT has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON FRIDAY, the 14th October, 1898, at 3 P.M., at his Sale's Rooms, Duddell Street, ALL THAT VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY Situated at Kowloon Point and registered in the Land Office as KOWLOON INLAND LOT, 442.

The property is held for the unexpired residue of a term of 75 years under a Crown Lease dated the 24th June, 1891.

The said property contains 69,379 square feet, is bounded on the North, South, and West by Public Roads, and is subject to a Crown Rent of $318.00 per Annum.

For further Particulars, apply to GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1898. [2159

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES and HOUGH have received instructions from the MORTGAGEES to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION on the Premises ON MONDAY, the 24th day of October, 1898, at 3 P.M., ALL THAT VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situate at Victoria, Hongkong, and registered in the Land Office as MARINE LOT No. 110.

The property which is known as Nos. 66, 67, and 68, Praya East and Nos. 68 and 70, Wanchai Road, is held for the residue of a term of 999 years from 11th October, 1859, at the Annual Crown Rent of £67 10s.

Further Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from Messrs. DEACON & HASTINGS, Vendor's Solicitors, 35, Queen's Road Central, and from The Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1898. [2139

INTIMATIONS

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MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. [3—1281

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STOCKS: 3,250,000 GALLONS.

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The best medium dose for adults is 17 grains given once or twice daily in powder or in solution.

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LOW PRICES WILL BE ACCEPTED. EASY TERMS.

THE ONLY FIRM DEVOTING THEMSELVES ENTIRELY TO THIS BUSINESS. [1694

INSURANCES.

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON. FOUNDED 1710.

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. SIEMSSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1898 [19

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [67

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are PREPARED TO ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates. SIEMSSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1895. [20

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. SIEMSSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1872 [18

PHŒNIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., Agents for the Phœnix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [21

SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN ASSURANCE CO.

The combined ACCIDENT and LIFE POLICY is the MOST ADVANTAGEOUS form of INSURANCE.

A yearly premium of £28 2s. (age 30) secures the following:—

£2,000 in case of death by accident.
£1,000 in case of natural death.
£1,000 in case of permanent total disablement by accident.
£500 in case of partial total disablement by accident.
£6 per week in case of temporary disablement by accident.

Accidents insured against for £4 and £2 per annum (£1,000 in case of death by weekly payments in case of injury.)

For further Particulars apply to J. Y. V. VERNON, Agent.

Hongkong, 8th June, 1896. [1320

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1897, £13,558,989 0s. 0d.

		s.	d
I. AUTHORISED CAPITAL	£3,000,000		
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	2,750,000		
PAID-UP CAPITAL	687,500	0	0
II. FIRE FUNDS	2,743,819	7	9

The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1898. [1391

W. BREWER & CO.

NEW BOOKS AND NEW EDITIONS.

LETTS' DIARIES, 1899.

Brassey's Naval Annual	$ 7.50
Manson's Tropical Diseases	6.50
The Second Thoughts of An Idle Fellow, by Jerome Jerome	2.50
Know your own Ship	3.00
Cressy and Poictiers, by Edgar	3.00
Runnymede and Lincoln Fair, by Edgar	3.00
At Friendly Point, by G. F. Scott	1.50 each
The Christian, by Hall Caine	
Master of Mysteries	
Blue Flag	
John Halifax: Gentleman	0.35 each
Mr. Isaacs, by Marion Crawford	
Courtship of Maurice Buckler, by Mason	
Treasure Island, by Stevenson	
Butterick's Metropolitan Fashions—Autumn, 1898	1.00
French Novels, Stamp Albums, &c., &c.	

QUEEN'S ROAD, Under HONGKONG HOTEL. [26

SUN TAK LOONG, 隆德新

DEALER IN TIN-MEATS, TIN-FRUITS, TIN-FOWLS, &c., &c., &c. QUALITY EXCELLENT. PRICES MODERATE. No. 144, Queen's Road West, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1898. [1608

JAPAN FINE ART CURIOS

KUHN & KOMOR, HONGKONG; YOKOHAMA; KOBE. [3859

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that we have transferred as from the 1st of July, 1898, to the OSTASIATISCHE HANDELS-GESELLSCHAFT, (East Asiatic Trading Company) of HAMBURG all our business as carried on in HONGKONG and CHINA with the assets and liabilities thereof.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1898. HARLING, BUSCHMANN & MENZELL.

REFERRING to above notice we have as from the 1st of July, 1898, opened branches of our business in HONGKONG and CHINA and have appointed Mr. G. HARLING as General Manager thereof, and authorized Mr. A. BUNE to sign per procuration at HONGKONG and Mr. M. BORNKESSEL to sign per procuration at CANTON.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1898. OSTASIATISCHE HANDELS-GESELLSCHAFT. (East Asiatic Trading Company.) 2045]

NOTICE OF FIRM.

THE Undersigned have This Day opened the premises at 43A, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST as a CYCLE EMPORIUM and beg to solicit the patronage of the public of Hongkong. A first-class selection of CYCLES (LADIES' and GENT'S) is on view and inspection is freely invited. Repairs undertaken and accessories supplied. McKIRDY & CO., Cycle Agents.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1898. [2061

NOTICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS.

AMERICAN CITIZENS residing in the CONSULAR DISTRICT OF CANTON, which includes SANSHUI, WUCHOW, MACAO, SWATOW, HOIHOW and PAKHOI, are REQUESTED to REGISTER at this Consulate either personally or by certificate setting forth the date and place of birth and last residence in the United States.

The advantages of registration are obvious and may prove of value in time of need.

There is no fee or charge for registration. EDWARD BEDLOE, U.S. CONSUL.

United States Consulate, CANTON, China, 1st February, 1898. [2114

R. J. REMEDIOS, FOREIGN AND COLONIAL STAMP DEALER,

No. 37, ELGIN STREET, HONGKONG, Will be glad to send STAMPS on approval to any address on receipt of satisfactory references.

Is also prepared to purchase used POSTAGE STAMPS in Large or Small Quantities for Cash. AGENTS WANTED, 15 to 25 % Discount Allowed. [1204

SIEN TING,

SURGEON DENTIST, No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE, Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1891. [2041

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YEE SANG & CO., 兆生怡 COAL MERCHANTS, have always on hand LARGE STOCKS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION OF COAL. Address:—Care of Messrs. KWONG SANG & Co No. 68, PRAYA. [756

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NOBEL'S SPORTING BALLISTITE Absolutely Smokeless and Water-resisting THE BEST NITRO-POWDER IN THE WORLD.

PRICE OF 12-BORE CARTRIDGES:—

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Primrose Cases	$5.65	$7.40
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5% discount on orders of 1,000 and over.

Apply to, WM. SCHMIDT & Co., Gunmakers, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1897. [1421

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY AT No. 30, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. CHADWICK KEW, (LATE OF POATE & NOBLE).

Hongkong, 13th July, 1897. [1896

PORTLAND CEMENT. J. B. WHITE & BROS. SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA, HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1883 [1978

BANKS.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853. HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP	£800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS	£800,000
RESERVE FUND	£450,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months ... 4 per cent.
" " " 6 ... 3½ "
" " " 3 ... 2½ "

T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1898. [17

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [14

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL	$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND	$ 9,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS	$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS

HON. J. J. BELL-IRVING—Chairman.
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MANAGER: Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARD'NER, ESQ.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON & COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager

Hongkong, 15th August, 1898. [13

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL	£1,000,000.
PAID UP CAPITAL	£ 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

D. GILLIES, Esq. | CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq.
J. T. LAUTS, Esq. | CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq.
KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.

Chief Manager. G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 Months Fixed .....5 %

Hongkong, 1st December, 1897. [15

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL	£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED	£1,125,000
PAID UP	£ 562,500
RESERVE FUND	£ 10,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 months .....4 %
" 6 " 3½%
" 3 " 2½%

J. THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1897. [16

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	Yen 12,000,000
PAID UP CAPITAL	" 10,500,000
RESERVE FUND	" 6,960,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES & AGENCIES.

Kobe, London, San Francisco, New York, Lyons, Honolulu, Bombay, Shanghai

LONDON BANKERS: THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED. PARR'S BANK, LIMITED. THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LIMITED.

HONGKONG AGENCY—INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance. On fixed deposits for 12 months 5%, per annum.
" " " " 6 " 4½ " "
" " " " 3 " 3½ " "

S. CHOH, Agent.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1898. [655

CUTLER, PALMER & CO.'S

PRICE $10.75 PER DOZEN NET

"SPECIAL BLEND" WHISKY.

Blend of Selected Distillatcons of the Finest Scotch Whiskies

Apply to SIEMSSEN & Co., Hongkong. [37

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The sale of this good Scotch increases month by month; it is of Superb Quality and of CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s SELECTION. Sole Agents for it— LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong. 36]

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This World-renowned. Fine OLD HIGHLAND WHISKY is shipped by CUTLER, PALMER & Co., and is obtainable in Hongkong of G. C. ANDERSON, No. 13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 26th July, 1897. [a38

CARBOLINEUM-AVENARIUS USED FOR OVER 20 YEARS.

Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus Rot, and Dampness. Sole Agents for China, LUTGENS, EINSTMANN & CO.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1897. [728

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Caledonien*, with the French mail of the 9th ultimo, left Saigon on Thursday, the 6th instant, at 4 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 9th instant. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 5th August

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. steamer *Gelngyte*, with the American mail, left Yokohama on Wednesday, the 5th instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 14th instant.

The P. M. steamer *City of Peking*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 1st instant.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 17th ultimo, via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on the 6th instant, via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. steamer *Australian*, from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 5th inst., for Timor and Hongkong.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Catherine Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 7th instant.

MERCHANT STEAMERS

The P. & O. steamer *Candia* left Singapore for this port on the 2nd instant.

The N. P. steamer *Braemar* sailed from Portland, Or., for Japan and Hongkong on the 2nd instant.

The N. P. steamer *Olympia* has arrived at Yokohama, and sailed for this port via Kobe and Shanghai on the 4th instant.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Kagoshima Maru* (Bombay Line) left Bombay, via Tuticorin and Singapore, for this port on the 4th instant.

The N. D. L. steamer *Babelsberg*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 1st instant, and may be expected here on or about the 6th instant.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Memnon*, from British North and Borneo, and may be expected here to-morrow.

The N. D. L. steamer *Hohenzollern* left Nagasaki on Thursday, the 6th instant, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 10th instant.

The N. D. L. steamer *Darmstadt* left Shanghai via Foochow on Friday, the 7th instant, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 11th instant.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Myrmidon*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 6th instant, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 11th instant.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Telemachus* left Singapore on the 4th instant, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 11th instant.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Tamba Maru* (Europe Line) left Kobe via Moji for this port on the 5th instant, and is expected to arrive here on the 12th instant.

PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD.—13th September.—*Shansi*. 16th September—*Java, Pyrrhus, Mazagon*. 20th Sept.—*Hyson, Glenartney, Benvoirlich, Fulloden Hall, St. Olberg*. 23rd September—*Purtlan*. 27th September—*Merioneth, shire, Sachsen, Lennox, Savoia*. 30th Sept—*Ceylon, Marquis Bacquehem, Eidsvold*. 4th October—*Benlawers, Oceanien, Oreades, Glenturret*.

HOMEWARD.—4th October—*Borneo, Craigearn*.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

☞ The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

PEAK DELIVERY closes at Post Office at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. or in Letter Boxes in the Cars by 12 and 3.30 o'clock Trams. Letter Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

The Postal Guide for 1898, revised to date will be found in the *Chronicle and Directory*, P. XXI. This is the only authorised completed Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per *Lightning*, to-day, the 8th instant, at 2.00 P.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Kwangtee*, to-day, the 8th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Singapore.—Per *Indravelli*, to-day, the 8th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Tientsin and Newchwang.—Per *Terrier*, to-day, the 8th inst., at 5.00 P.M.

For Swatow, and Shanghai—Per *Choyeang*, on Monday, the 10th inst., at 1.30 P.M.

For Manila.—Per *Yuensang*, on Tuesday, the 11th instant, at 1.30 P.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and San Francisco.—Per *Shantung*, on Friday, the 14th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama.—Per *Rosetta*, on Saturday, the 15th instant, at 4.30 P.M.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Laos* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 8th instant, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *via Marseilles* to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Papers.
11.00 A.M.—Mail closes. Late letters 11.10 to 11.30. Extra postage 10 cents.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.

The German Contract Packet *Darmstadt*, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 12th instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *viâ Nyles*; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., &c.

Registry ceases at 7.30 A.M.
The mail closes at 8.00 A.M. Late letters with 10 cents extra postage.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Shantung* will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 14th instant, with Mails for Japan and San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

4.30 P.M. Registry ceases.
5.00 P.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet *Coromandel* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 15th inst., with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M. Mail Closes

LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10 A.M.) *with* 10 *cents late fee* up to 11.30 A.M. after which hour they may be sent on board with the same late fee.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACKET.

The Canadian Mail Packet *Empress of China* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, with Mails for Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., which will be closed as follows:—

10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.00 A.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ISIDORO PONS, Spanish str., Roses—Order.
LIGHTNING, Brit. steamer, Spence—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
MARY L. CUSHING, Amer. ship, Pendleton—Order.
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATION.	SAILING DATES.	
s.s. WITTENBERG, Capt. L. Madsen	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 12th October.	Freight.
s.s. ALESIA, Capt. Meyerdiercks	LONDON, HAMBURG, AND ANTWERP	About 18th October.	Freight.
s.s. NURNBERG, Capt. von Binzer	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 24th October.	Freight.
s.s. ANDALUSIA, Capt. Schroetter	LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP	About 1st November.	Freight.
* s.s. BABELSBERG, Capt. Pfaff	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 9th November.	Freight and Passage.

* These steamers have superior accommodation for Passengers and carry a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For further particulars as to Freight, Passage, etc., apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 3rd October, 1898. [1720

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Steamer	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing.
OLYMPIA	2,608	T. H. Dobson	Oct. 22
GLENOGLE	3,750	J. McGillivray	Nov. 1
VICTORIA	3,167	J. Truebridge	Dec. 6
TACOMA	2,553	A. Dixon	Dec. 10

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION CO.

Steamer	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing.
MONGHUSHIRE	2,874	W. A. Evans	Oct. 29
COLUMBIA	2,654	A. Gow	Nov. 26
A steamer			Dec. 24
MONGHUSHIRE	2,874	W. A. Evans	Jan. 21

THE attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, £47.

Excellent accommodation. First class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

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Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 29th September, 1898. [9

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	CANDIA, W. H. Haughton, R.N.R.	About 8th October	Freight. (Passing through the Inland Sea)
YOKOHAMA VIA SHAI, NAGASAKI & KOBE	JAVA, J. Chellew, R.N.R.	About 13th October	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea)
SHANGHAI	CHUSAN, E. Street	About 14th October	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	COROMANDEL, F. N. Tillard	Noon, 15th October	See Special Advertisement.
YOKOHAMA VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	ROSETTA, E. P. Bishop	5 P.M., 15th October	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea)
LONDON	FORMOSA, A. G. Cubitt, R.N.R.	About 20th October	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1898. [1

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
TAMBA MARU, J. W. Wale	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID	THURSDAY, 13th October, at 4 P.M.
KANAGAWA MARU, J. Mackenzie	MARSEILLES, LONDON, & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID	THURSDAY, 27th October, at 4 P.M.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central

A. S. MIHARA, (Manager.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1898. [11

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 26th Oct., 1898

EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 23rd Nov., 1898

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R. .....WEDNESDAY, 21st Dec., 1898

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA of JAPAN, and usually make the voyage, YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9, and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unrivalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder Street.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1898. [8

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & RIG.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Benlarig	Brit. str.	Krohle	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	On or about 8th inst.
LONDON	Formosa	Brit. str.	Cubitt, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 20th inst.
LONDON, HAMBURG & ANTWERP	Alesia	Ger. str.	Meyerdiercks	Carlowitz & Co.	On or about 18th inst.
LONDON, HAMBURG & ANTWERP	Andalusia	Ger. str.	Schroetter	Carlowitz & Co.	On or about 1st Nov.
LONDON VIA STRAITS, &c.	Coromandel	Brit. str.	Tillard	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 15th inst., at Noon
BREMEN VIA PORTS OF CALL	Darmstadt	Ger. str.	Kosnemann	Melchers & Co.	On 12th inst., at 9 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	Wittenberg	Ger. str.	Madsen	Carlowitz & Co.	On or about 12th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	Nurnberg	Ger. str.	von Binzer	Carlowitz & Co.	On or about 24th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	Babelsberg	Ger. str.	Pfaff	Carlowitz & Co.	On or about 9th Nov.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, &c.	Tamba Maru	Jap. str.	Wale	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 13th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, &c.	Kanagawa Maru	Jap. str.	Mackenzie	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA SAIGON, &c.	Laos	Fren. str.	Flandin	Messageries Maritimes	To-day, at Noon.
VANCOUVER, V. SHANGHAI, &c.	Empress of China	Brit. str.	Archibald, R.N.R.	Canadian Pacific R. Co.	On 26th inst., at Noon
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA	Olympia	Brit. str.	Dobson	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
PORTLAND, OREGON, &c.	Monmouthshire	Brit. str.	Evans	Dodwell Carlill & Co.	On 29th inst., at Noon
SAN FRANCISCO VIA S'HAI, &c.	Belgic	Brit. str.		O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 11th inst., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA JAPAN	Shantung	Brit. str.		P. M. S. S. Co.	On 15th inst., Daylight.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	Mandalf	Brit. str.	Norman	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On 15th inst.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	Indravelli	Brit. str.	Campbell	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On or about 5th inst.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	Indralema	Brit. str.	Pendleton	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On or about 31st inst.
NEW YORK	Mary R. Cushing	Amer. ship.	Amsbury	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Adolph Obrig	Amer. bk.	Mullin	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Paul Revere	Amer. ship.	Park	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Josephus	Amer. ship.	Bishop	R. Brockelmann & Co.	October.
Y'HAMA VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	Rosetta	Brit. str.	Haughton, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 15th inst., at 5 P.M.
Y'HAMA VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	Candia	Brit. str.	Chellew, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 8th inst.
Y'HAMA V. S'HAI, N'SAKI & KOBE	Java	Brit. str.	Sarchet	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	On or about 13th inst.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Benalder	Brit. str.	Darrande	Messageries Maritimes	On 12th inst. at Noon.
S'HAI, N'SAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA	Caledonion	Fren. str.	Street	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 9th inst.
SHANGHAI	Chusan	Brit. str.	Taylor	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	On or about 14th inst.
MANILA DIRECT	Esmeralda	Brit. str.	Rolfe, R.N.R.	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
MANILA DIRECT	Yuensang	Brit. str.		Butterfield & Swire	On 11th inst., at 2 P.M.
SAMARANG & SOURABAYA	Marie Jebsen	Ger. str.	McArthur	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	On 11th inst. at 4 P.M.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.	Menmuir	Brit. str.	Spence	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	Lightning	Brit. str.			To-day, at 3 P.M.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"INDRAVELLI,"

of 4,899 tons regd., Captain Norman, will be despatched as above on or about 5th October, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight and further Particulars, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1898. [1877

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING,"

Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 8th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1898. [2121

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENLARIG"

Captain Krohle, will be despatched as above on or about the 8th October.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1898. [1981

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"CALEDONIEN,"

Captain Durrande, will be despatched for the above ports on or about SUNDAY, the 9th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1898. [2

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIE JEBSEN,"

will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 11th inst., at 4 P.M.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1898. [2152

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG. PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO, LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

DARMSTADT	Wednesday	12th Oct.
SACHSEN	Wednesday	9th Nov.
BAYERN	Wednesday	7th Dec.
PRINZ HEINRICH	Wednesday	4th Jan.
PREUSSEN	Wednesday	1st Feb.
SACHSEN	Wednesday	1st March

ON WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of October, 1898, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "DARMSTADT," Captain A. Kosnemann, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 10th October, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 11th October, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 11th October. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1898. [7

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A.I.I. American Ship

"MARY R. CUSHING."

Pendleton, Master, will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SIEMSSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1898. [1967

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A.I.I. American Ship

"PAUL REVERE,"

Mullin, Master, will load here for above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1898. [1896

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For freight and further particulars, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1898. [10

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON SATURDAY, the 8th October, 1898, at NOON, the Company's Steamship "LAOS," Captain Flandin, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This steamer connects at COLOMBO with the S. S. "AUSTRALIEN," which vessel takes on her passengers and mails, leaving that port on the 20th October, direct to Suez, Port Said, and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 7th October. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 27th September, 1898. [2

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

BELGIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Oct. 11, 1898, at NOON.
COPTIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Oct. 29, 1898, at NOON.
GAELIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Nov. 17, 1898, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "BELGIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 11th October, 1898, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 20nd September, 1898. [4

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA DIRECT.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"

Captain P. H. Rolfe, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 11th inst., at 2 P.M.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1898. [2133

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L.I.I. American Ship

"JOSEPHUS,"

Park, Master, will load here for the above port and will be despatched in October.

For Freight, apply to

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1898. [1878

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L.I.I. American Bark

"ADOLPH OBRIG,"

Captain Amsbury, is ready to take cargo for above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD KARBERG & CO.

Hongkong, 6th September, 1898. [1879

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, &c.)

THE Steamship

"MENMUIR,"

Captain McArthur, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 10th inst., at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from Australia are available for return by the steamers of the China Navigation Company and *vice versa*.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1898. [2136

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SHANTUNG (via Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama)	SATURDAY, Oct. 15, 1898, at DAYLIGHT.
CITY OF PEKING (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Nov. 8, 1898, at NOON.
CHINA (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Nov. 29, 1898, at NOON.

THE Chartered Steamship "SHANTUNG" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 15th October, 1898, at DAYLIGHT, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1898. [3

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"COROMANDEL,"

Captain F. N. Tillard, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for STRAITS and BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 15th OCTOBER, at NOON, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 3rd October, 1898. [1

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"MACDUFF"

will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 15th inst., instead of as previously advertised.

To be followed by the

S.S. "GHAZEE" sail about 30th Oct., 1898.
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